## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, please delete the ABSTRACT and replace it with the following:

Tool for a food processing machine, in particular of the mixer type, and a machine provided with a tool of this type.

## ABSTRACTABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This A tool eemprises has: -a a tubular casing (11), -a (11); a drive shaft (13) (13); and -a centering and guiding element (15) for the drive shaft (13), the (13). The tubular casing (11) and the drive shaft (13) being are provided, at the same first end, with removable means (21, 25) for locking to the machine body (3) and releasable means (45) for coupling to a main shaft (41) of the machine, respectively, - the respectively. The centering and guiding element (15) eemprising has removable means (71, 73) for fixing to the tubular casing (11). The locating element (15) is mounted in the tubular casing (11) at the side of the first end, and the fixing means (71, 73) thereof are suitable for being locked in a correct fixing position by complementary locking means (47) provided on the machine (3) when the tubular casing (11) is fixed to the machine body (3).

The invention also relates to a food processing machine comprising a tool of this type.

Figure 1

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 U.S. APPLN. NO. 10/814,279

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION.

Page 3, before the first full paragraph, insert and center:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION.